

State of Alaska FY2008 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Natural Resources State Historic Preservation Program Component Budget Summary

Component: State Historic Preservation Program

Contribution to Department's Mission

The Office of History and Archaeology provides a historic preservation program to preserve and protect the historic, prehistoric and archaeological resources of Alaska.

Core Services

As the State of Alaska's historic preservation agency, the Office of History and Archaeology oversees statewide programs to identify, document, protect and restore sites and buildings, and to educate Alaskans and visitors about the state's heritage resources.

The Office of History and Archaeology and the Alaska Historical Commission provide policy and program advice to the Commissioner, Governor and Legislature concerning history and prehistory, historic sites and buildings, and geographic names.

The Office administers the national historic preservation program in Alaska, as set forth in the National Historic Preservation Act, and serves as State liaison to federal agencies, representing the State's interests in protecting its heritage resources. The national programs include historic preservation planning, survey, nomination to the National Register of Historic Places, public education and training, investment tax credits, project review, maintenance of a statewide inventory, and local government assistance through its Certified Local Government program. To carry out these programs, the Office of History and Archaeology seeks partnerships with local governments, Native organizations, historical societies, non-profit organizations, owners of historic properties, and federal and state agencies.

The Alaska Historical Commission promotes access to primary historic resources. Cooperative projects with other state agencies, such as the transcription of Judge Wickersham's diaries, help provide significant historical information to the public.

End Results	Strategies to Achieve Results
<p>A: Facilitate the Department's mission through protecting Alaska's heritage resources and providing state historic preservation programs to agencies, businesses and citizens of Alaska.</p> <p><u>Target #1:</u> Provide historic preservation programs to protect, identify, evaluate, record and mitigate historic properties.</p> <p><u>Measure #1:</u> Professional staff provided historic preservation program services in review/compliance, survey and inventory, local government historic preservation, National Register evaluation and listing, tax credits, education and training, and planning programs.</p>	<p>A1: Develop integrated database for historic preservation programs on DNR's Oracle map based data management system to improve business practices.</p> <p><u>Target #1:</u> Build data sets for program areas and develop relational database fields. Program relational database into Oracle. Develop mapping program to show site boundaries. Cumulative target FY06 70%, FY07 80%, FY08 90%, FY09 100%.</p> <p><u>Measure #1:</u> In FY 06, data sets for the review/compliance, grants and tax credits programs were developed. Work on the National Register program data sets and site boundary mapping programs will continue in FY07.</p> <p>A2: Provide cultural resource survey and research services to all state agencies through RSAs, cooperative agreements and grants.</p> <p><u>Target #1:</u> Complete 10 reports for survey and research conducted in prior field season.</p> <p><u>Measure #1:</u> Number of surveys for cultural resources and</p>

other research projects completed annually.

Major Activities to Advance Strategies

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain Alaska Heritage Resource Survey site location information in Oracle and verify. • Integrate state historic preservation program databases through DNR LRIS into DNR Oracle data management system. • Enter existing and new data on completed portions of Oracle database. • Enter new and updated historic site data on Alaska Heritage Resource Survey and provide information for development and land use planning. • Digitize site boundaries, district boundaries and linear features for GIS data in the Oracle system • Evaluate properties for historic significance and make determinations of eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places. • Review and comment on development projects and other activities for impacts to cultural resources and compliance with laws and regulations. • Consult with federal agencies as state liaison, representing the State's interest in protecting heritage resources. • Provide policy and program advice to Governor and Legislature on history, archaeology and geographic names through the AK Historical Commission. • Conduct cultural resource research and field surveys; prepare reports. • Administer Alaska's Historic Preservation Certified Local Government program; provide training and grants. • Develop, update, distribute and implement Alaska's State Historic Preservation Plan. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate and plan special heritage initiatives and projects in cooperation with other agencies. • Administer historic preservation grants program. • Provide training, technical assistance, interpretation and education on Alaska's heritage and historic preservation programs. • Assist development of elementary, secondary and post-secondary education programs and lesson plans about Alaska archaeological & historic resources. • Use Alaska Archaeology Week/Month and Historic Preservation Week to increase visibility of historic preservation. • Certify historic preservation investment tax credit projects. • Administer the state's geographic names program. • Issue field archaeological permits for archaeological research and survey on state lands in accordance with AS 41.35.080 and 11AAC16.020-16.090 • Support transcription of Judge Wickersham diaries and make them available on State of Alaska websites, a Alaska Historical Commission project. • Review and process applications for archaeology permits on state lands. • Review and comment on government agency land use planning documents and industry contingency hazardous spill planning documents. |
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FY2008 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2008 Component Budget: \$1,727,700

Personnel:

Full time	12
Part time	4
Total	16

Performance Measure Detail

A: Result - Facilitate the Department's mission through protecting Alaska's heritage resources and providing state historic preservation programs to agencies, businesses and citizens of Alaska.

Target #1: Provide historic preservation programs to protect, identify, evaluate, record and mitigate historic properties.

Measure #1: Professional staff provided historic preservation program services in review/compliance, survey and inventory, local government historic preservation, National Register evaluation and listing, tax credits, education and training, and planning programs.

Analysis of results and challenges: To maintain eligibility to receive the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) grant the Alaska State Historic Preservation Office must provide a core professional staff and a basic level of services in a number historic preservation programs. Through end-of-year reports and annual applications for the HPF grant, the state program is annually reviewed and certified as an eligible program.

A1: Strategy - Develop integrated database for historic preservation programs on DNR's Oracle map based data management system to improve business practices.

Target #1: Build data sets for program areas and develop relational database fields. Program relational database into Oracle. Develop mapping program to show site boundaries. Cumulative target FY06 70%, FY07 80%, FY08 90%, FY09 100%.

Measure #1: In FY 06, data sets for the review/compliance, grants and tax credits programs were developed. Work on the National Register program data sets and site boundary mapping programs will continue in FY07.

Year	YTD Total
2002	5
2003	15
2004	10
2005	15
2006	20
2007	10

In FY2006, the database conversion project changed strategy to better integrate the Office of History and Archaeology's data with The Department of Natural Resources new integrated business system currently under development. The focus in FY 2006 and FY 2007 is developing compatible data sets and programming.

Analysis of results and challenges: DNR LRIS continues work on building an integrated business system which will implement GIS capabilities. The integrated record business system incorporates relevant data from several programs, including AHRs statewide inventory, review & compliance, National Register of Historic Places, survey report citations, permitting, grants, tax credits, and historic signs. The Office of History and Archaeology and LRIS are developing strategy for digitizing map data for use with a GIS system which will display site boundaries, district boundaries and linear sextants as points, lines or polygons. Strategies are being developed to ensure compatibility with DNR's integrated business system. FY05 work focused on Office of History and Archaeology's citations database which is complete and operational, providing an internal internet application for searching cultural resources survey reports and associated database records. Selected environmental and land planning staff in the Departments of Transportation and Natural Resources have internet access to the Alaska Heritage Resource Survey and citations information, which has helped reduce costs and streamline the project development and environmental review process. FY06 work focused on developing and refining data sets for historic preservation program areas. FY07 work continues refining the data set development and product analysis. Testing map digitization strategies continues, with a move to production upon acceptance of mapping strategy.

A2: Strategy - Provide cultural resource survey and research services to all state agencies through RSAs, cooperative agreements and grants.

Target #1: Complete 10 reports for survey and research conducted in prior field season.

Measure #1: Number of surveys for cultural resources and other research projects completed annually.

Year	YTD Total
2002	13
2003	27
2004	24
2005	6
2006	9
2007	0

In 2006, nine reports were completed. One of the reports, on the McCarthy Road project, was a several year project. The other reports documented results of cultural resource survey results for projects of one or two field seasons of work. For the FY06 and FY07 seasons, the staff are working on both large multi-year projects as well as smaller single season projects. The Office of History and Archaeology continues to receive fewer requests for small, short-term survey projects from the Department of Transportation.

Analysis of results and challenges: Surveys are conducted in the summer and fall and reports written in the winter. Most requests for survey and research services come from the Department of Transportation and the Department Natural Resources. The surveys facilitate state land activities and development by providing information on the location and significance of historic and archaeological sites. This information is used by project managers in the design phase of projects to minimize the impacts to historic sites, thereby reducing costs. The information is also used to develop mitigation plans when adverse impacts cannot be avoided. The number of reports will vary depending on staffing levels and the size and complexity of individual projects.

The new or updated site information contained in reports is entered on the Alaska Heritage Resource Survey database, making the data easily available at the project planning or design stage. The table with the survey project results is reported in the federal fiscal year to be consistent with required federal historic preservation grant annual reports.

Key Component Challenges

The National Historic Preservation Act requires federal agencies to consult with the State Historic Preservation Office on all undertakings and assess potential affects on historic properties. Because of the increase in complexity, size and volume of state and federal projects in Alaska the Office cannot consult on all projects, putting Alaska's heritage resources at risk. There was over a 16% increase in the number of projects reviewed between FY05 and FY06. Since FY04, there has been a 37% increase in project reviews. The State Historic Preservation Program receives a Historic Preservation Fund grant to provide staff to consult with agencies through the National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 process. Many agencies use the NEPA as their primary environmental compliance. If they do not incorporate the Section 106 project review requirements at the same time, project review can take longer and delay consideration of historic preservation issues. The Office is working with DOT&PF, through consultation and RSAs, to help the agency incorporate cultural resources in their advanced planning and use the services of the Archaeology Survey Unit, as authorized in the Alaska Historic Preservation Act, to conduct transportation corridor surveys early in the planning process so site information is available at the earliest stages of planning. To improve business practices, the Office of History and Archaeology continues to work with ADNR/LRIS, to modernize its record systems infrastructure through the use of a relational database, GIS and Internet technology. The Office of History and Archaeology maintains information on historic and archaeological site location and significance. The inventory is used by DNR, other government agencies and contractors involved in the permitting process. The long-term goal is to develop an integrated record system which incorporates relevant historic preservation program data and is Internet accessible. Information needed for project development and design will be easier and less costly to access and can be incorporated earlier in the planning stages, resulting in a streamlined permitting process. Because funding for the relational database conversion project comes from RSAs and cooperative agreements with state and federal agencies, consistent funding for the project is a challenge.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2008

No changes in results to be delivered assuming a status quo budget.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2006

1. Reviewed 4597 projects for impacts to historic properties, a 16% increase over FY 2005. Ten Memorandum of Agreements and two Programmatic Agreements signed.
2. Conducted a Section 106 training for agencies and contractors, in April 2006 and at ACMP meeting in November 2005.
3. Produced 9 cultural resource survey reports: 5 full survey reports and 4 short reports.
4. Evaluated 338 properties for eligibility to the National Register for Historic Places; 116 determined eligible.
5. Twelve new listings in the National Register of Historic Places.
6. Fifteen Certified Local Government grants active in FY2006; ten grants completed; one cancelled.
7. Provided comment on historic interpretive signs developed by State Park's Education and Interpretation program and signs developed through historic preservation grants and mitigation agreements.
8. Alaska Heritage Resource Survey: 1,060 new sites entered, 12,818 sites updated.
9. Alaska Historical Commission considered 9 geographic name proposals and submitted them to the U.S. Board of Geographic Names.
10. Integrated database conversion project continuing: Phase III (Integrated Systems) and Phase IV (Scanning) are in progress.
11. Twelve Historic Preservation Fund development grants completed, one cancelled, 13 grants active.
12. Participated in monthly meetings of the Alaska History Standards Development Core Group. Draft Alaska History Performance Standards submitted to the State Board of Education. Standards approved and adopted.
13. Conducted baseline survey on three submerged cultural resources (shipwrecks) in Southeast Alaska. University of Alaska Fairbanks marine biologists were part of interdisciplinary research team.
14. Issued 20 archaeology permits in FY 2006.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

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State Historic Preservation Program Component Financial Summary

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2006 Actuals	FY2007 Management Plan	FY2008 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	1,228.9	1,163.9	1,324.1
72000 Travel	44.1	89.4	89.4
73000 Services	102.6	278.4	278.4
74000 Commodities	12.4	35.8	35.8
75000 Capital Outlay	0.3	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	1,388.3	1,567.5	1,727.7
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	128.1	385.4	385.4
1003 General Fund Match	324.7	349.7	492.0
1005 General Fund/Program Receipts	0.0	15.0	15.5
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	118.4	225.4	225.4
1055 Inter-agency/Oil & Hazardous Waste	8.0	16.0	16.0
1061 Capital Improvement Project Receipts	809.1	576.0	593.4
Funding Totals	1,388.3	1,567.5	1,727.7

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2006 Actuals	FY2007 Management Plan	FY2008 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues				
Unrestricted Fund	68515	2.2	10.0	10.0
Unrestricted Total		2.2	10.0	10.0
Restricted Revenues				
Federal Receipts	51010	128.1	385.4	385.4
Interagency Receipts	51015	118.4	225.4	225.4
General Fund Program Receipts	51060	0.0	15.0	15.5
Capital Improvement Project Receipts	51200	809.1	576.0	593.4
Interagency Recs./Oil & Hazardous Waste	51395	8.0	16.0	16.0
Restricted Total		1,063.6	1,217.8	1,235.7
Total Estimated Revenues		1,065.8	1,227.8	1,245.7

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2007 Management Plan to FY2008 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2007 Management Plan	364.7	385.4	817.4	1,567.5
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Fund Source Adjustment for Retirement Systems Increases	99.8	-32.7	-67.1	0.0
Proposed budget increases:				
-FY 08 Retirement Systems Rate Increases	43.0	32.7	84.5	160.2
FY2008 Governor	507.5	385.4	834.8	1,727.7

**State Historic Preservation Program
Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions			Personal Services Costs	
	<u>FY2007</u> <u>Management</u> <u>Plan</u>	<u>FY2008</u> <u>Governor</u>		
Full-time	12	12	Annual Salaries	774,953
Part-time	4	4	Premium Pay	0
Nonpermanent	0	0	Annual Benefits	604,274
			<i>Less 4.00% Vacancy Factor</i>	<i>(55,127)</i>
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	16	16	Total Personal Services	1,324,100

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Administrative Clerk III	1	0	0	0	1
Archaeologist I	4	0	0	0	4
Archaeologist II	3	0	0	0	3
Archaeologist III	1	0	0	0	1
Chf Off of Hist & Archaeology	1	0	0	0	1
Historian I	2	0	0	0	2
Historian II	1	0	0	0	1
Historian III	1	0	0	0	1
Natural Resource Tech I	1	0	0	0	1
Natural Resource Tech II	1	0	0	0	1
Totals	16	0	0	0	16